A MODELL OF TRVTHS, OR, A Discovery of certaine reall passages of this PARLIAMENT.

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A Coppy of a Letter ſent from LONDON to one Mr N. C. living in GLOUCESTER.

SIR,

YOu deſired mee to write you the occurrences which we have from that great throng now ſwarmed together, commonly called The High Court of Parliament; but things of this ſort are of ſuch a ſpreading nature, that what is newes when I write it, may grow old e're you have read it; yet I will ſatisfie, though I cannot informe, and ſince ſuch lepid objects are of thoſe things that can pleaſe in the repetition, I will not feare to offend you with a *Crambe*, which becauſe it is not ſerious enough either for Proſe, or good Verſe and that you may the eaſier get it put to ſome pretty Tune, I thought fit to deliver in that habiliment of a *Madrigall*.

Juſtice

1.

IVstice is here made up of might,
With two left hands, but ne're a right:
And men that are well sighted find
This justice sits with both eyes blind.
Yet though the Matron *cannot see,*
She holds that edg'd sword, Cruelty;
Which that it may not rust, shee whets
In cutting of the Ilands Tets.
Did long since Anathematize
Englands too too much seeing eyes,
Because they have beene found to be
Guilty of wit and piety.
All this and more they justly vent
By Priviledge of Parliament.

2.

All former Lawes *fall headlong downe,*
And are themselves now lawlesse *grown.*
Equity hath been lately try'd,
And Right *it selfe been* Rectified.
The Rules *that shew a Christian how*
To live, must all be Ruled *now.*
The Lesson *here to* learn *is brought,*
And Ethicks *better* manners *taught,*
Religion and the Churches wealth
Being of late growne sick of health,
Were brought to'th House, that they might be
Cured *of their* Integrity.
We found a seame for this great rent
By Priviledge of Parliament.

Most

Moſt men do now the buttockes licke
Of their great body Politicke,
For not the head, but Breech *is it,*
By which the Kingdome now doth ſit.
The world is chang'd, and we have choyces,
Not by moſt reaſons, but moſt voyces.
The Lion's *trod on by the* Mouſe,
The Lower *is the* Upper *houſe.*
As once from Chaos Order *came,*
So doe their Orders Chaos *frame,*
And ſmoothly worke the Lands deluſion,
By a Methodicall confuſion.
These are the things that lately went
By Priviledge of Parliament.

4.

They would not have the Kingdome fall
By an ignoble Funerall;
But piouſly preferre the Nation
To a renowned Decollation.
The feet and lower parts 'tis ſed,
Would trample on, *and* off *the head;*
What e're they ſay this is the thing,
They love the Charles, *but hate the* King.
To make an even Grove, *one ſtroake*
Should lift the Shrub *unto the* Oake.
A new found muſicke, they would make
A Gamut, *but no* Ela *take.*
This is the pious good intent
Of Priviledge of Parliament.

In

In all humility *they crave*
Their Soveraigne to be their ſlave,
Deſiring him that he would be
Betray'd *to them moſt* Loyally:
For it were meekneſſe ſure in him
To be a Vayvod *unto* Pym:
And if he would a while lay downe
His Scepter, Majeſty, and Crowne,
He ſhould be made for time to come
The greateſt Prince in Chriſtendome.
CHARLES *at this time not having need,*
Thank'd them as much as if he did.
This is the happy wiſht event
Of Priviledge of Parliament.

6.

Pym *that ador'd* Poplicula,
Who played the baſe ——
Who got a luſt to ſacrifice
The Heroe *to the peoples eyes,*
Whoſe back-from-hell-fetcht-knavery
By ſome is Nicknam'd policie,
Would be a Lyon *with a poxe,*
When at the beſt hee's but a Fox;
And juſt like him that ſet on fire
The hallowed Epheſian *Spire,*
Hath purchaſ'd to be largely knowne
In that hee is an Adage growne.
All this to honeſt *John* is lent
By priviledge of Parliament.

The

The valiant house was not afear'd
To pull our Aaron *by the beard;*
To hide darke deeds from Gazers sights
Strove to blow out the Churches Lights.
That squares might run round as their head,
They Long to have the Rochet *sped;*
They vote downe Universities,
Lest men from thence become too wise;
And their benighted deeds display,
Whose workes of darknesse hate the day.
Hence they preferre in every Towne
The Petticoate *before the* Gowne.
These blessings to the Land are sent
By Priviledge of Parliament.

8.

They put forth Orders, Declarations,
Unacted *Lawes, and* Protestations,
Of which all can be said, is this,
The whole is one Parenthesis:
Because the sense (without all doubt)
Were ne're the lesse, were all left out:
Petitions none must be presented,
But what are by themselves invented:
Else they not heale, but Cicatrize,
And from the cure a scarre doth rise.
Though holy Cut *the fault commit,*
Yet Long-taile *must be paid for it.*
Unto this wound was laid a Tent
By Priviledge of Parliament.

They

They paid the Scottish *debt; and thus*
To be more honest, they robb'd us:
They feed the poore, with what thinke yee?
Why sure with large Calamity.
And once a moneth they thinke it fitting,
To fast from sin, *because from* sitting.
They would have wind and storms suppresst
To drive the Halcyon *from her nest.*
CHARLES *is a picture, they make bold*
To use *the Scepter he shall* hold.
They'd pull downe one, but give as good;
A golden *Crowne made up of* wood.
And thus is Justice justly rent
By Priviledge of Parliament.

FINIS.